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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM SEEKS OVERFLIGHT RIGHTS

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT SELF EXPLANATORY LETTER SENT BY
PAN AMERICAN PRESIDENT WILLIAM SEAWELL TO SHEN DIEN CHI,
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF COMMANDING DEPARTMENT, CIVIL
AVIATION ADMINISTRATION OF CHINA, PEKING.

DEAR MR. SHEN:

WE RECENTLY HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF DEMONSTRATING TO CAAC OUR
CAPABILITIES IN HANDLING THEIR SPECIAL FLIGHT AT
LOS ANGELES DURING ITS STOPOVER ENROUTE FROM CANADA TO
MEXICO. I HOPE IT IS ONLY THE BEGINNING OF THE LONG
AWAITED EXCHANGE OF SERVICES BY OUR TWO AIRLINES. YOU MAY
BE ASSURED THAT PAN AM WILL DO ALL IN ITS POWER TO
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PROMOTE THIS EFFORT.

AS A STEP IN THIS DIRECTION, WE HAVE A REQUEST TO MAKE OF
YOUR GOVERNMENT.

IN OUR PLANNING, WE ARE LOOKING TOWARD SHORTENING OUR ROUTE
AND FLYING TIME BETWEEN INDIA AND HONG KONG. WE HAVE NOTED

THAT IN YOUR AERONAUTICAL INFORMATION PUBLICATION, YOU
SHOW A ROUTE OVER THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA FROM
LASHIO VIA LINGTSANG, KUNMING, POSEH, KAOYAO, FUSHAN,
PAIYUN, SHIHLUNG TO A POINT LATITUDE 22

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS LETTER AS OUR FORMAL REQUEST TO OVERFLY
THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON THIS ROUTE. IF THIS
REQUEST CAN BE GRANTED, WE WILL BE PLEASED TO FURNISH YOU
WITH ADDITIONAL DETAILS REGARDING FREQUENCIES, TIMES OF
OPERATION AND WHATEVER OTHER DETAILS YOU MAY REQUIRE.

I BELIEVE IT IS CLEAR IN VIEW OF THE SAVING OF TIME AND
FUEL THAT YOUR APPROVAL OF OUR REQUEST WILL HAVE VERY
SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE AND WOULD FURTHER ENHANCE THE
RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

WE WILL LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR EARLY REPLY AND YOUR SERIOUS
CONSIDERATION OF OUR REQUEST.

SINCERELY YOURS,

WILLIAM T. SEAWELL

2. DEPT DOES NOT BELIEVE CAAC IS LIKELY TO RESPOND
FAVORABLY. NO ACTION BY USLO REQUESTED AT THIS TIME.
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